

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yann BODO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2624

Application No.:

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Examiner:

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117653

For:

A SYSTEM AND METHOD OF WATERMARKING A VIDEO SIGNAL AND

EXTRACTING THE WATERMARKING FROM A VIDEO SIGNAL (As Amended)

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1,181 TO RESET THE PERIOD OF REPLY TO AN OFFICE ACTION DUE TO LATE RECEIPT OF OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In this Petition in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.181, it is respectfully requested that the statutory period of reply to the Office Action dated May 11, 2007 in reference to the application stated above be reset from August 11, 2007 to October 16, 2007.

According to the Patent Office PAIR database, the Office Action in reference to the application above was mailed to Oliff & Berridge, PLC on May 11, 2007. This Office Action was never received by Oliff & Berridge. Oliff & Berridge, the Applicants' undersigned representative, states that neither Oliff & Berridge nor the Applicants received or became aware of the Office Action until July 16, 2007.

Oliff & Berridge became aware on July 16, 2007 of the Office Action during a routine status check of the application's progress. This status check was performed by reviewing the

PAIR database of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Upon becoming aware of this Office Action during the routine check on July 16, 2007, the Oliff & Berridge docketing department immediately docketed and downloaded the Office Action of May 11, 2007. Enclosed with this Petition is a submission of documents showing the chronological course of events. Sheet 1 shows a printout of the image file wrapper on the PAIR database in regard to this matter. The time stamp on the printout shows a date of July 16, 2007. This is the date Oliff & Berridge became aware of the Office Action.

Accordingly, the Office Action was not entered into the computerized docketing system of Oliff & Berridge until the July 16 date, at which time the Office Action was discovered and downloaded and promptly brought to the Oliff & Berridge docketing department. Sheet 2 of the enclosed shows a printout of the computerized docketing screen of the Oliff & Berridge docketing department. It can be seen from sheet 2 that the Office Action was not entered into the system until July 16, 2007. As it is the custom of the Oliff & Berridge docketing department to immediately docket and enter any communications from the Patent Office upon receipt, this sheet supports that the Office Action was not received by Oliff & Berridge until July 16, 2007.

Further review of the PAIR database shows that the Office Action failed to be delivered to Oliff & Berridge. Sheet 1 of the enclosed, the table of contents of the image file wrapper, shows the latest entry of May 14, 2007 was mail returned to the U.S.P.T.O. as undelivered. A printout of page 1 of this document can be found in sheet 3 of the enclosed. This sheet indicates that the Office Action dated May 11, 2007 was returned to the Patent Office on May 14, 2007 and is shown evident by the stamp of the Patent Office found at the top of Sheet 3. This shows that the Office Action was not received by Oliff & Berridge, but instead, due to unknown circumstances returned to the Patent Office.

Having complied with the requirements of the MPEP §710.06, in view of the facts shown above, the undersigned representative of the Applicants respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents for the period of reply to be reset for the Office Action dated May 11, 2007. Requested start date for the statutory period is July 16, 2007, the day Oliff & Berridge, the Applicants' representative, first became aware of the Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sheet 1 Printout of Table of Contents of Image File Wrapper from PAIR Database Sheet 2 Printout of Screen Capture of Oliff & Berridge Computerized Docketing System

Sheet 3 Printout of Returned Mail to Patent Office

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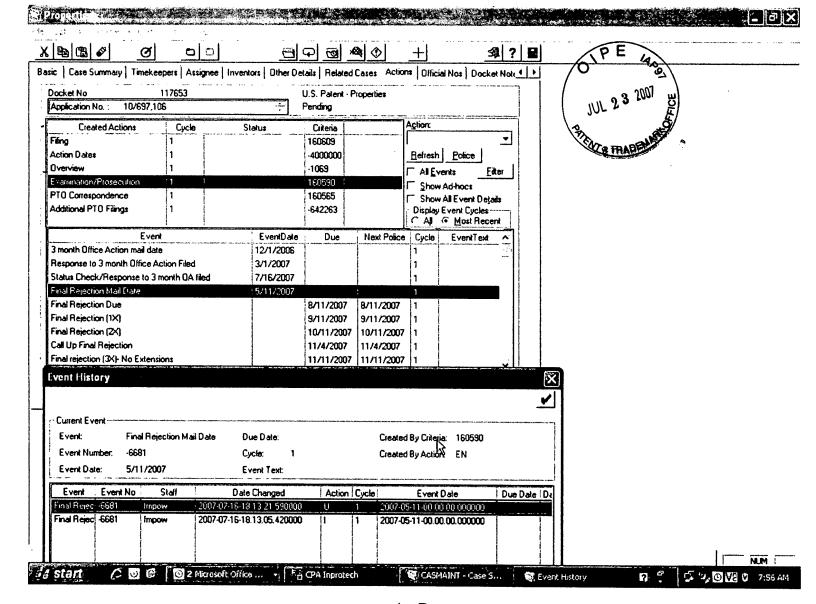


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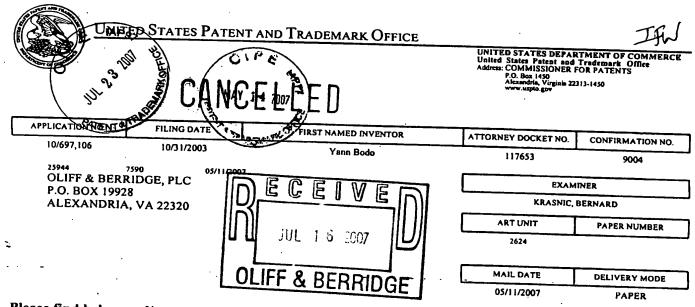
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The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

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